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1. A high-ranking military official recently made the statement that Rumania "was never in such a favorable position to defend her liberty".
2. According to the official, "two large trainloads" of self-propelled rocket launchers, howitzers and mortars have recently been received from the USSR and distributed to strategic locations throughout the country. Calibers of howitzers and mortars were not given.
3. Temporary ammunition dumps and food depots have been set up along the main arteries of transportation.
4. Four thousand officers, previously purged, have been recalled to service. Before reporting for duty these officers were passed through "political training schools" administered by the Ministry of Interior.

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Comment: It is possible that this official had reference to schools of the Education Section, Ministry of National Defense, popularly known as ECP.)

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